STANDING IN FRONT OF THE DOOR,
FOR A LONG WHILE I THOUGHT ABOUT ALL OF
THE THINGS I HAD ACCOMPLISHED IN THIS ROOM.

IT HAD BEEN A VERY HARD TIME FOR ME

BUT AS A RESULT OF MY HARD WORK,
I HAD GAINED MUCH.

A HEALTHY BODY

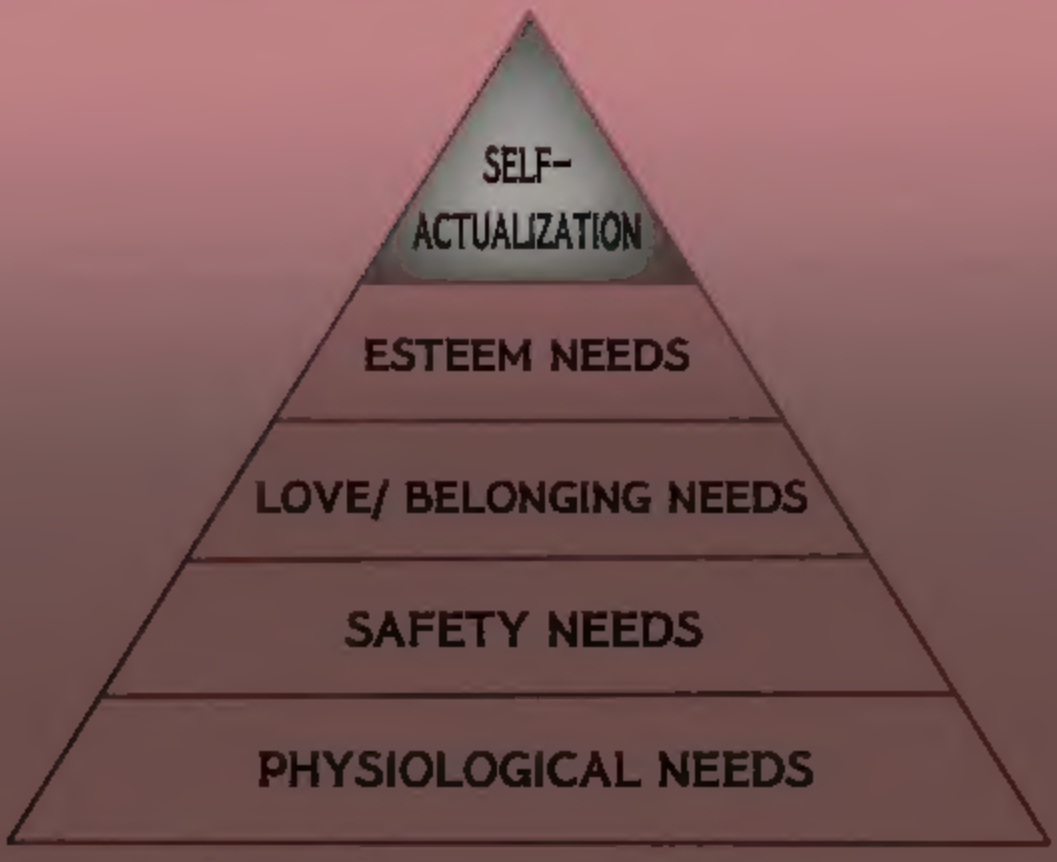
A HEALTHY MIND

AND I HAD BECOME A BETTER HUMAN BEING.

WAS THERE ANY REASON FOR ME
TO ABANDON EVERYTHING

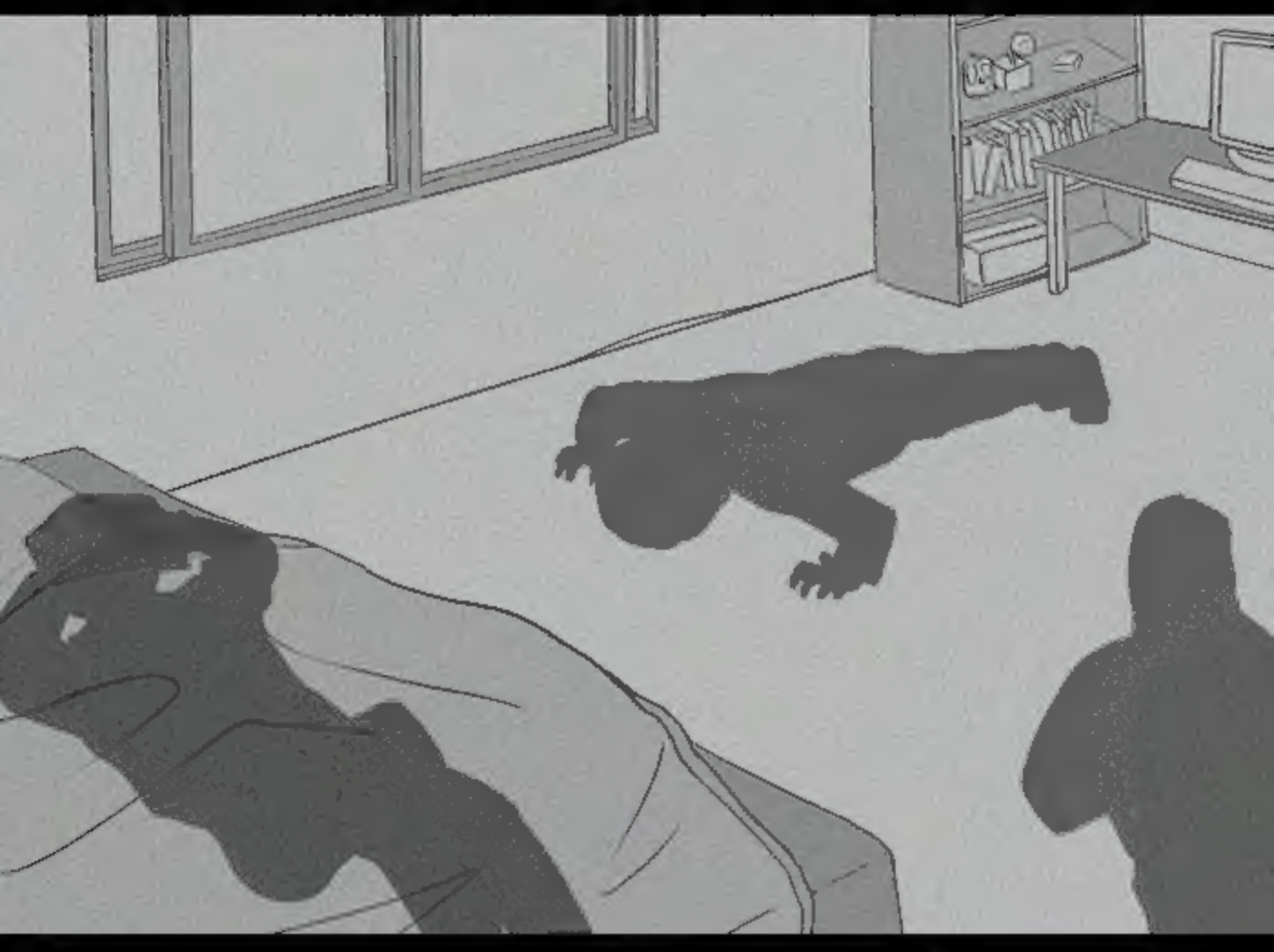
I HAD CULTIVATED IN THIS ROOM AND GO
BACK OUT INTO THE WORLD?

AND STRIVING FOR SELF-ACTUALIZATION



MASLOW'S HIERARCHY OF NEEDS

THOSE DAYS HAD BEEN LIKE
INTENSE BUDDHIST MEDITATION FOR ME

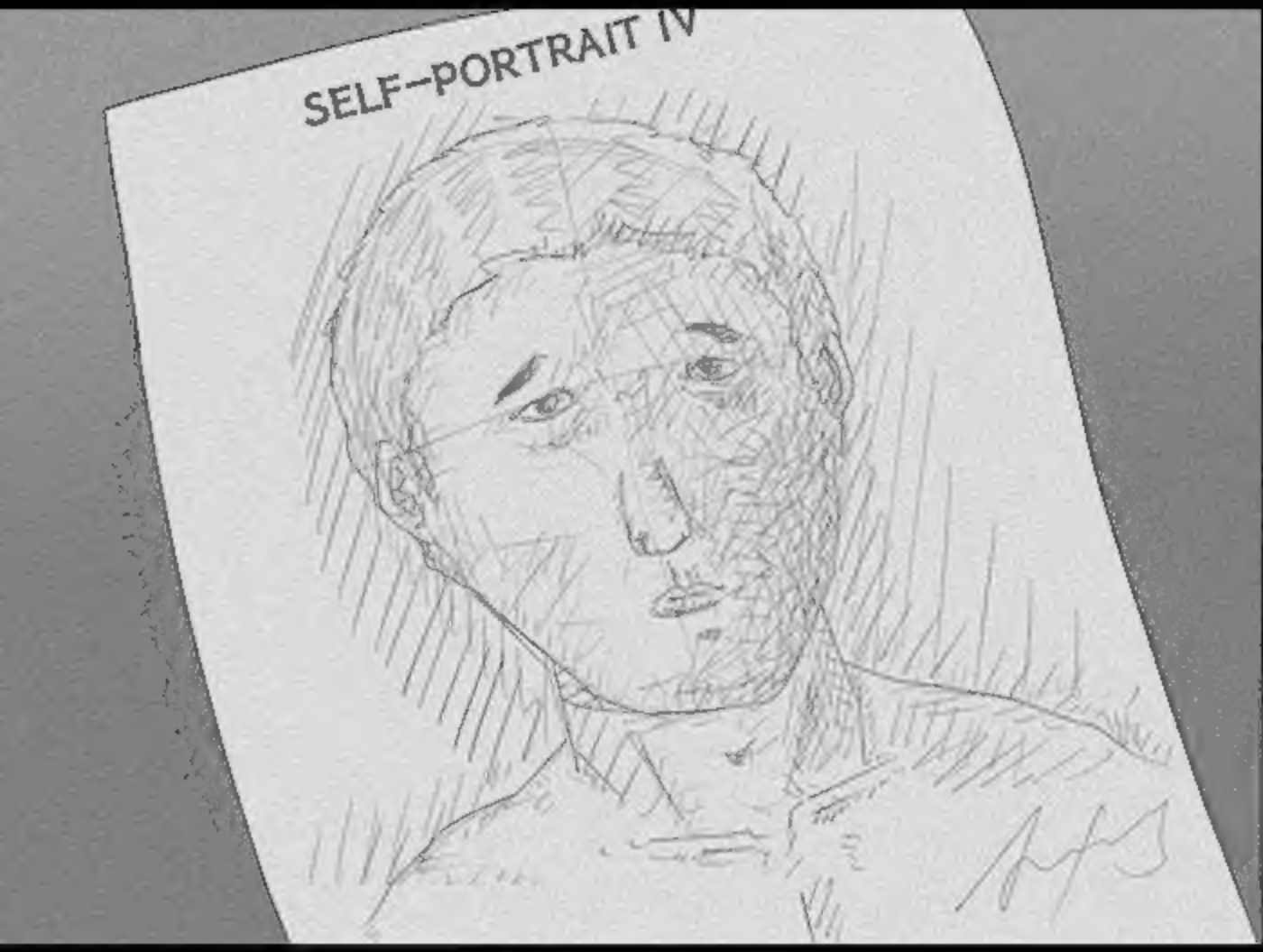


FOR THE PAIN AND CONFLICT

AND UNBEARABLE SADNESS I WOULD HAVE TO FACE IF I WENT BACK INTO SOCIETY?

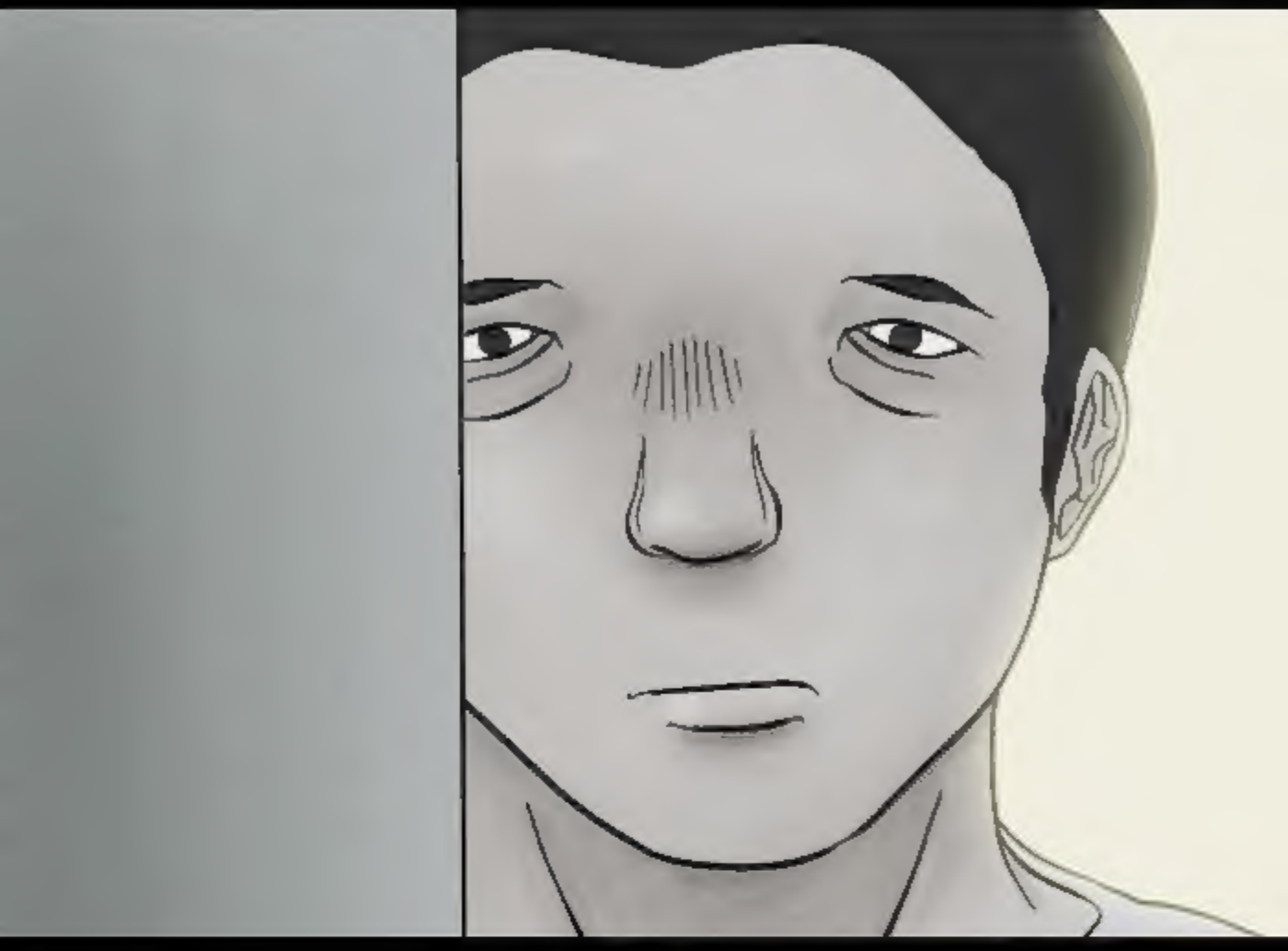
WHAT REASON COULD THERE BE

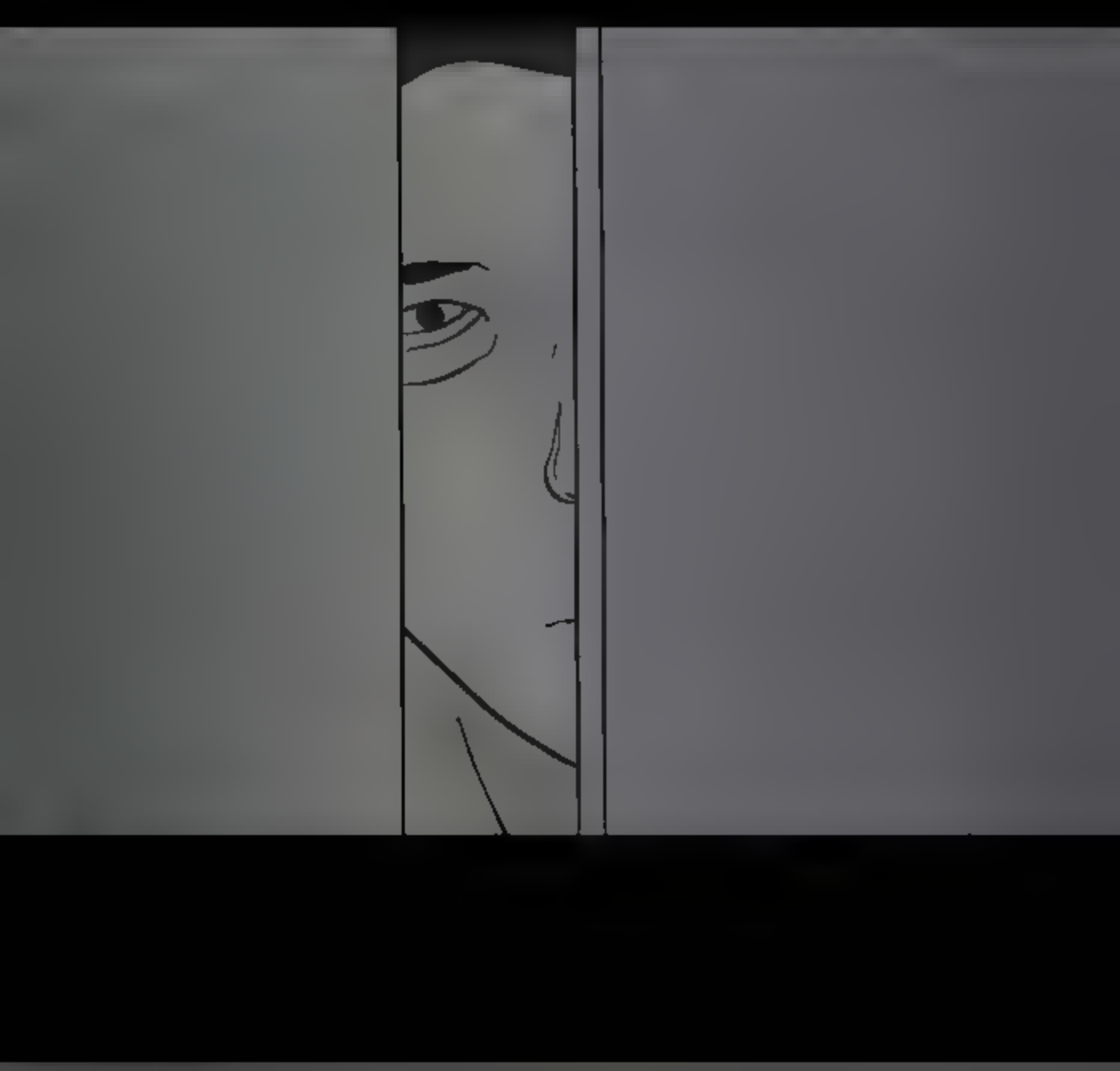
DIDN'T I KNOW WHAT I WANTED?



DIDN'T I KNOW WHAT IT IS

THAT I REALLY WANTED?





CLICK-

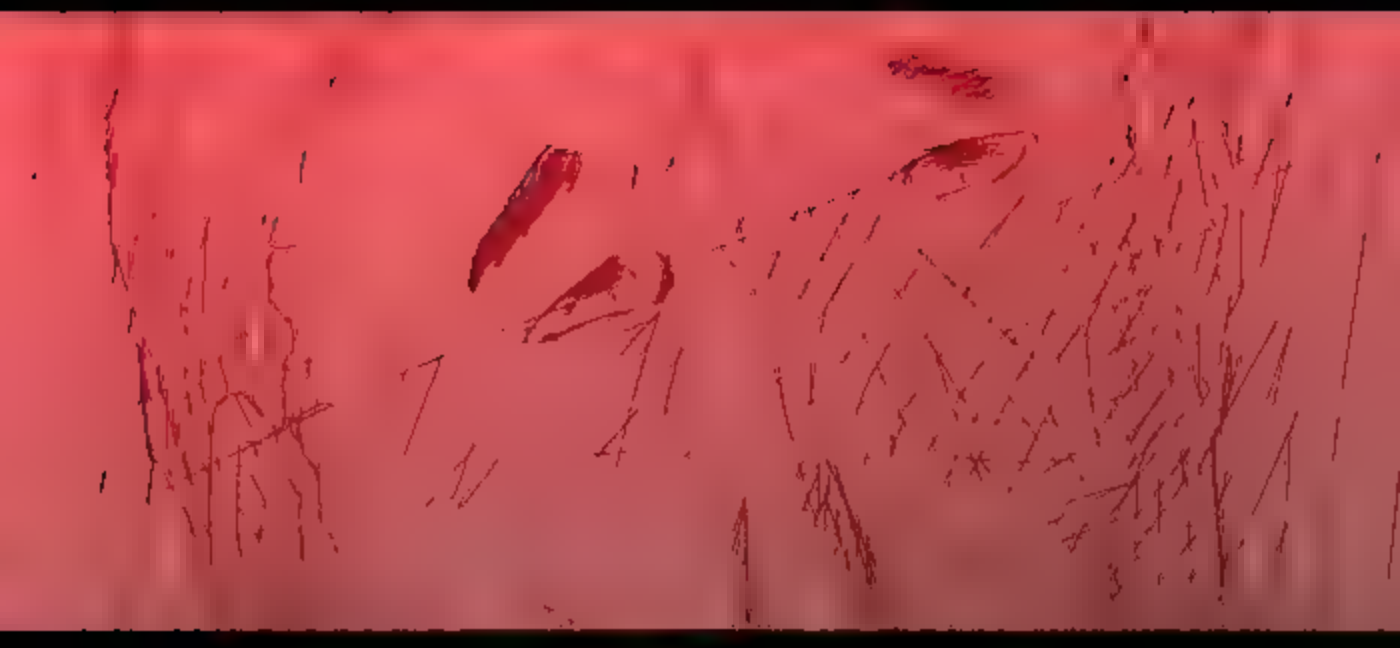
I WAS PROUD AT HEART OF
THE CHOICE I MADE THEN.

BUT NOT LONG AFTER THAT,
I REALIZED SOMETHING.

EVERYTHING I HAD CONSIDERED
TO BE HUMANE AND MORAL GROWTH

WAS JUST SHAMEFUL EXCUSES
INTENDED TO RATIONALIZE

MY BODY AND MIND WHICH I HAD
TRAPPED IN THIS ROOM MYSELF.



WHY DIDN'T I KNOW THIS

AT THE TIME.

FRIDAY
FORBIDDEN TALES
禁曜日

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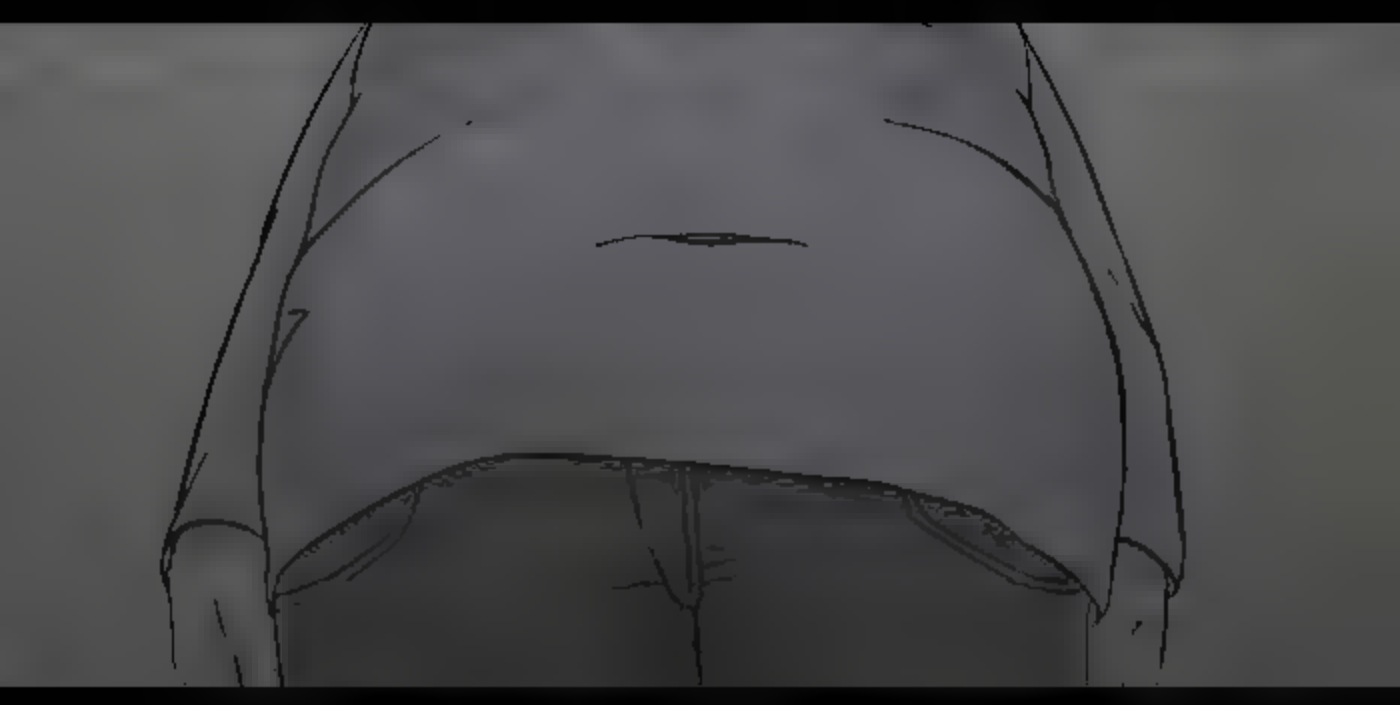
HUMANS HAVE
AN EXTRAORDINARY ABILITY TO ADAPT.

THEY ADAPT TO THEIR GIVEN ENVIRONMENT

AND THEY MAKE USE OF THEIR GIVEN ENVIRONMENT

AND THEY MAKE THE BEST CHOICES
THEY CAN WITHIN THAT ENVIRONMENT.

SO IF THEIR ENVIRONMENT CHANGES,

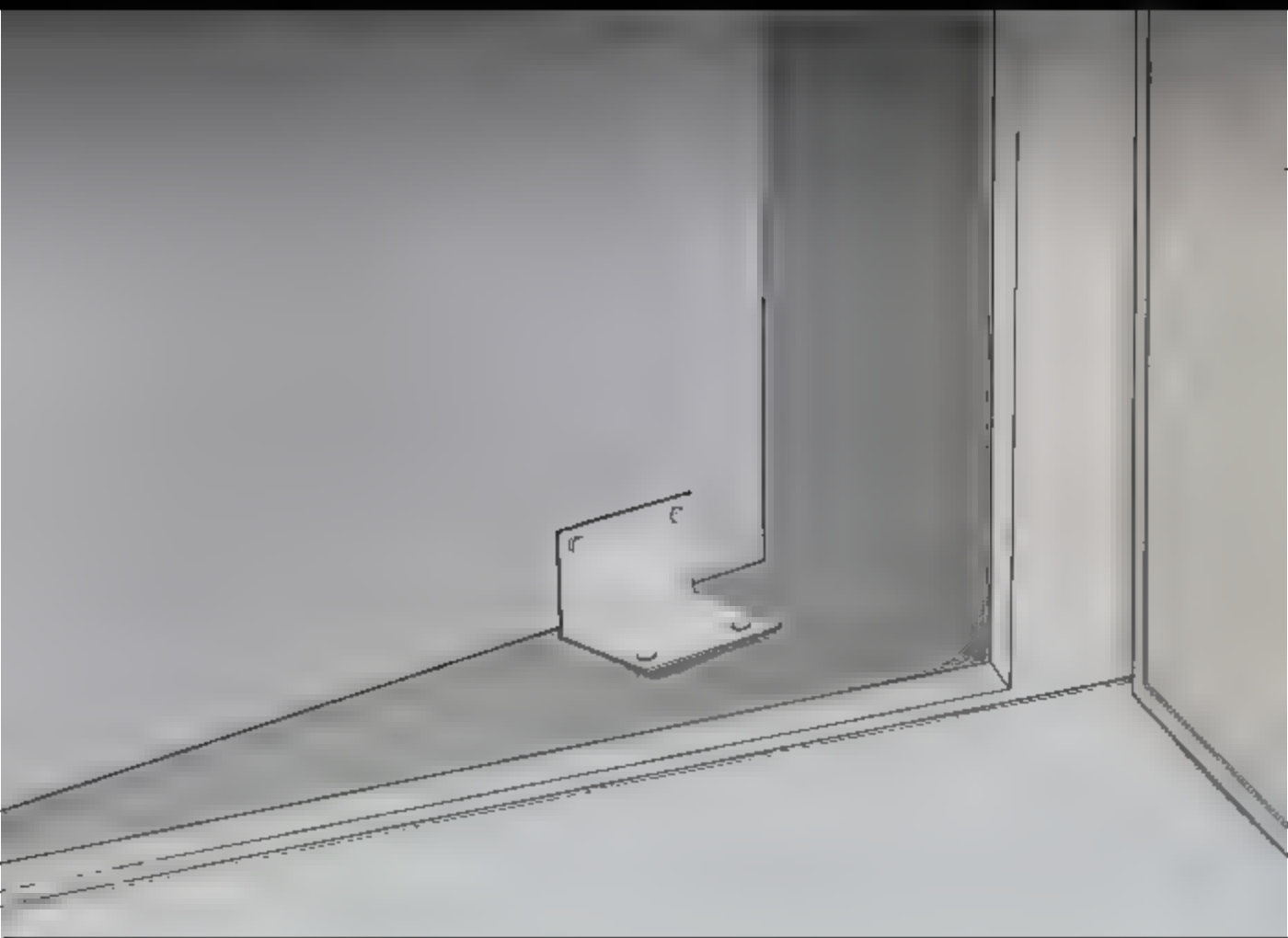


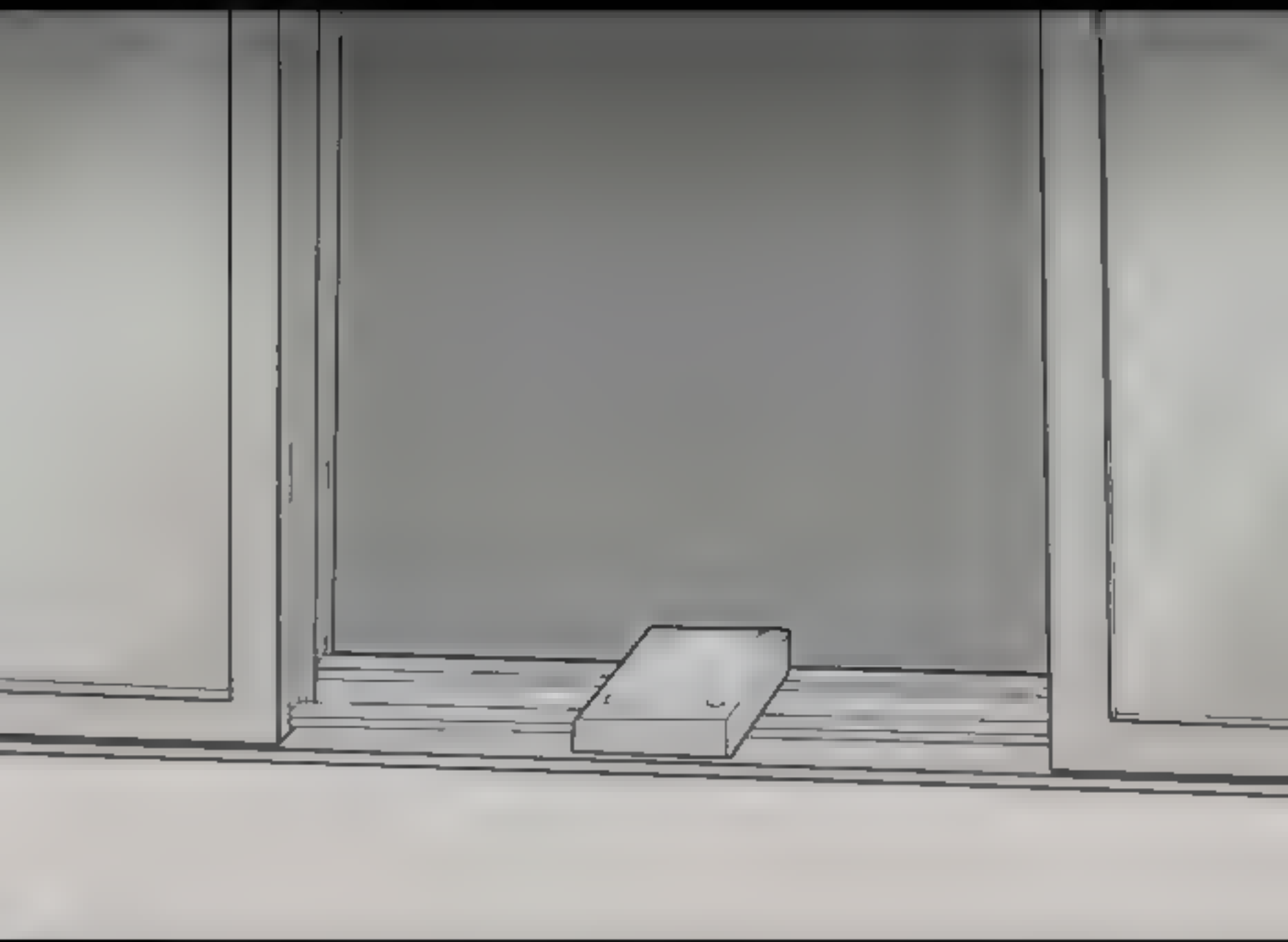
THEY'LL ALSO CHANGE IN ORDER
TO ADAPT TO THE NEW ENVIRONMENT.

AFTER EXPERIENCING
A SERIES OF BIZARRE INCIDENTS

I CREATED A COMPLETELY OPEN SPACE

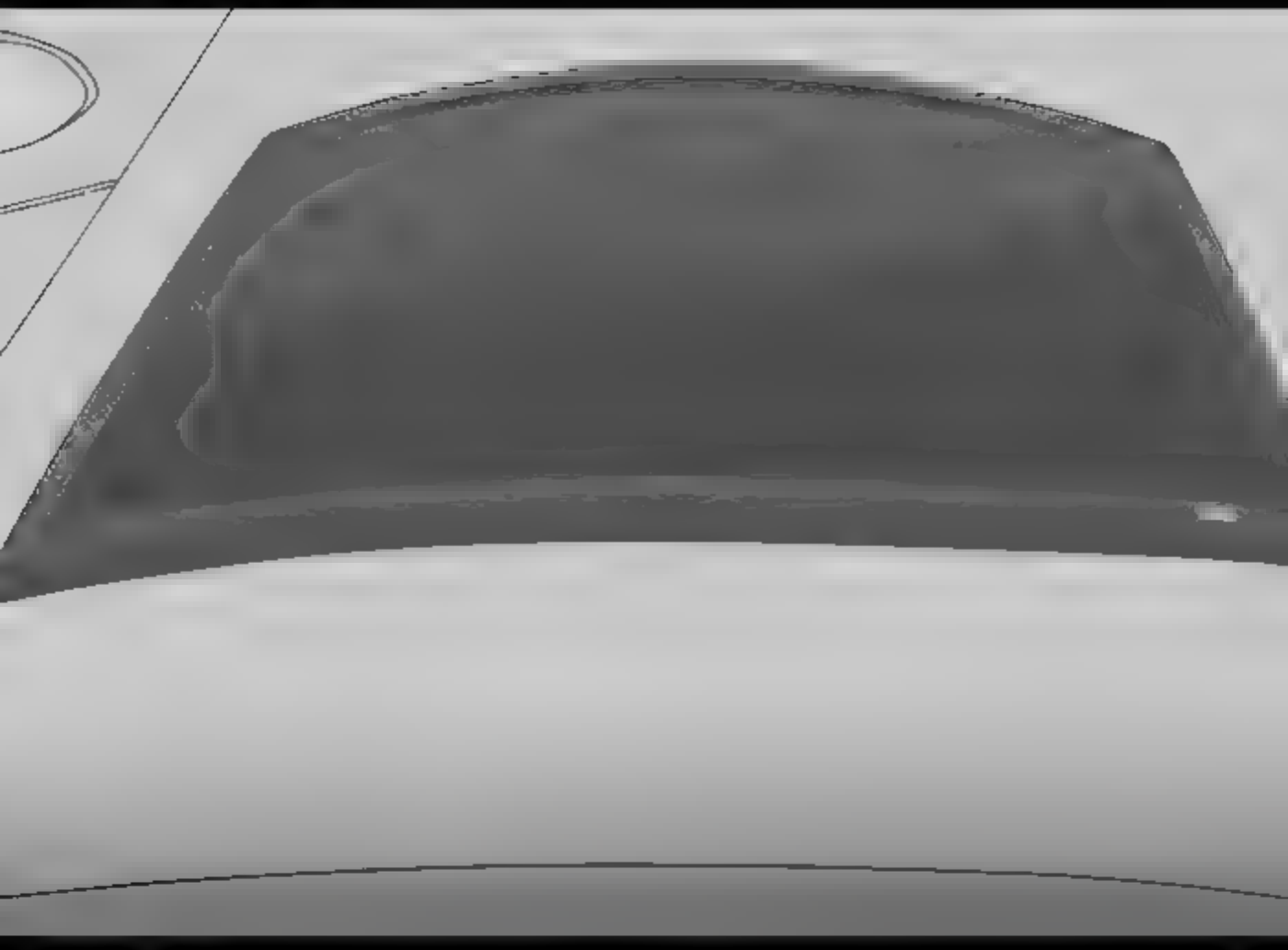
SO THAT NOTHING LIKE THAT WOULD
EVER HAPPEN AGAIN.

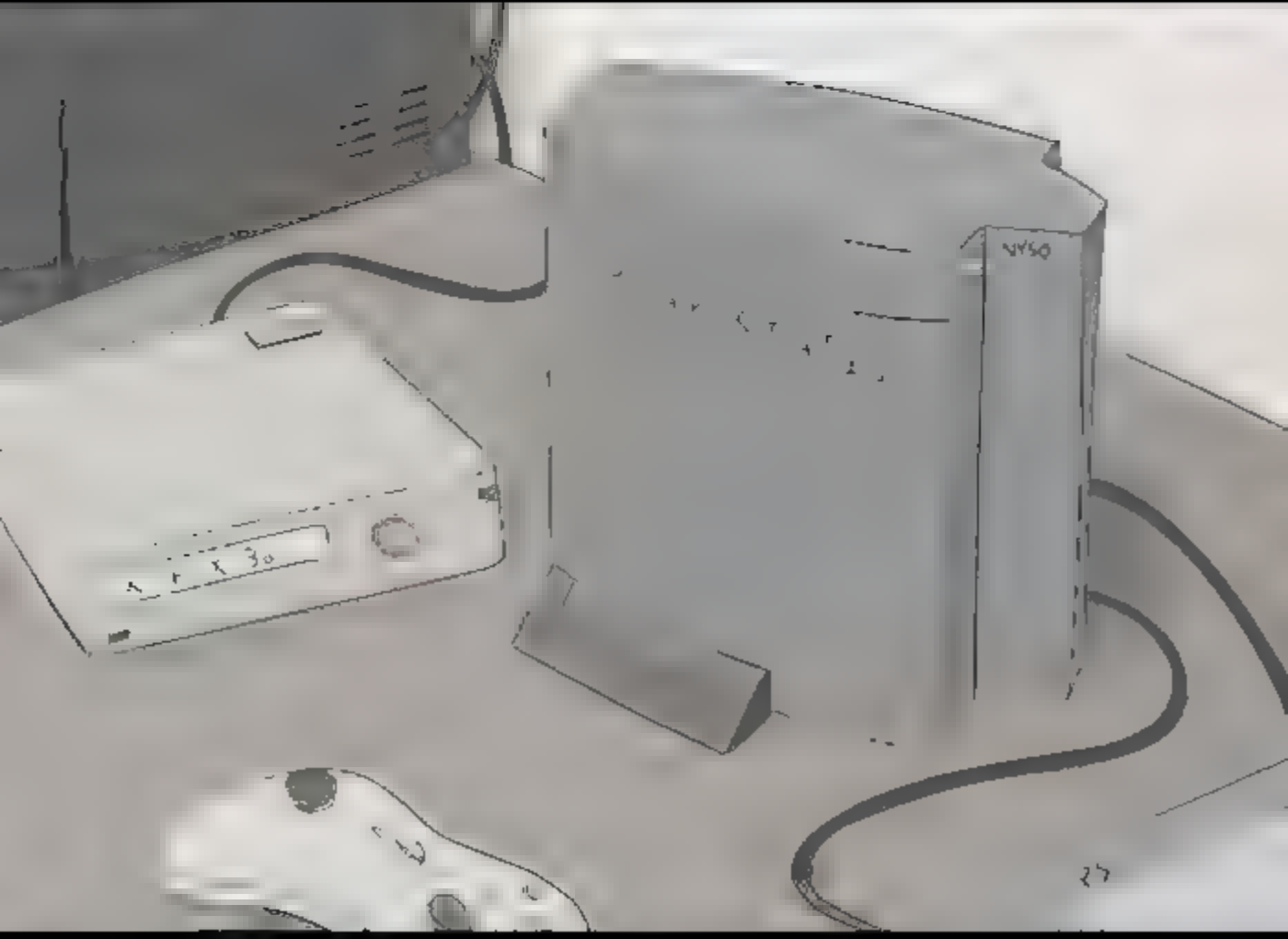




AND I CREATED A SPACE WHICH WOULD BE PERFECT FOR ME.

EVEN IF THAT EVER HAPPENED AGAIN.

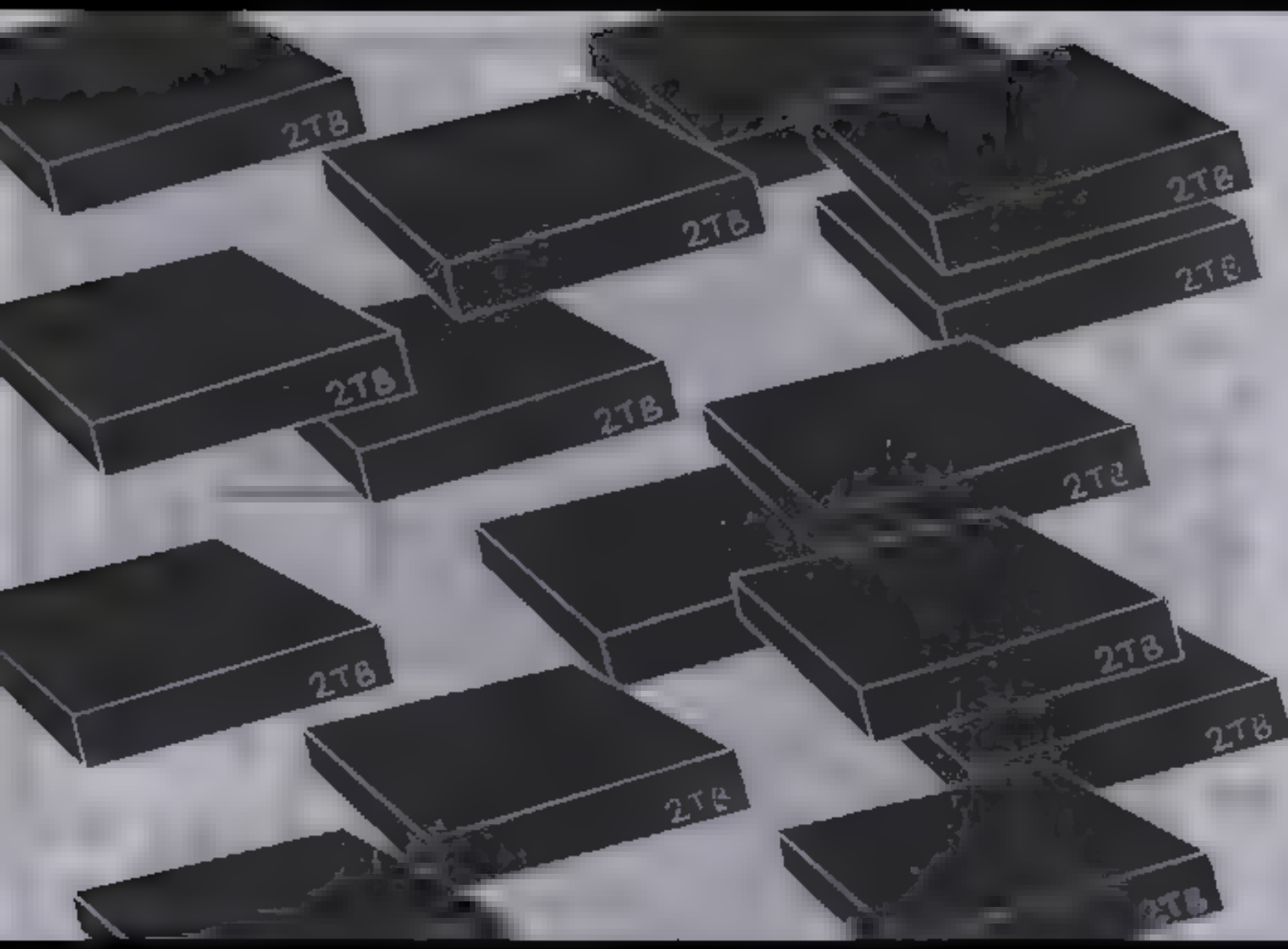




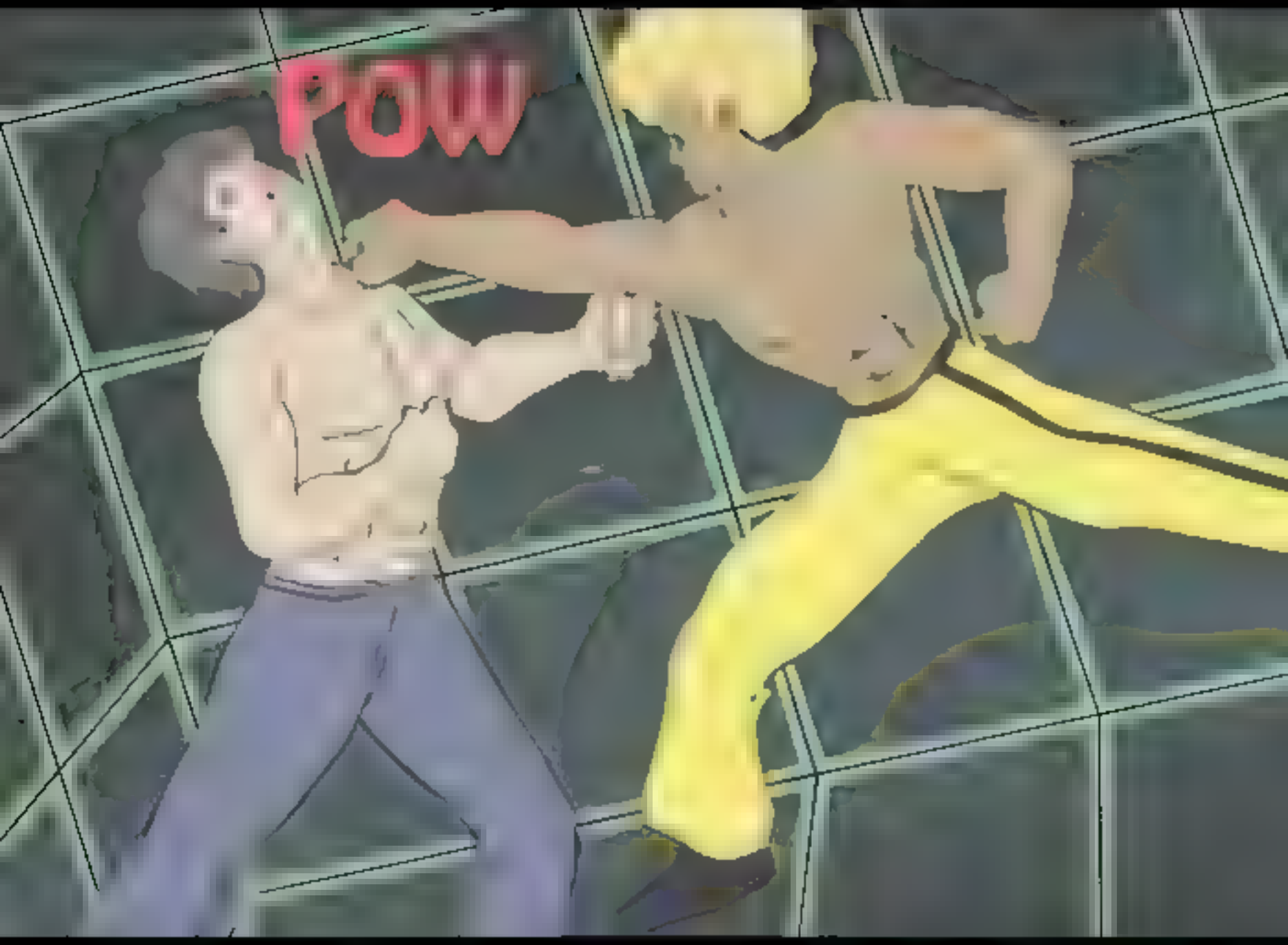
HUNDREDS OF GAMES

HUNDREDS OF MOVIES

COUNTLESS TEXT FILES



JUST THINK ABOUT IT



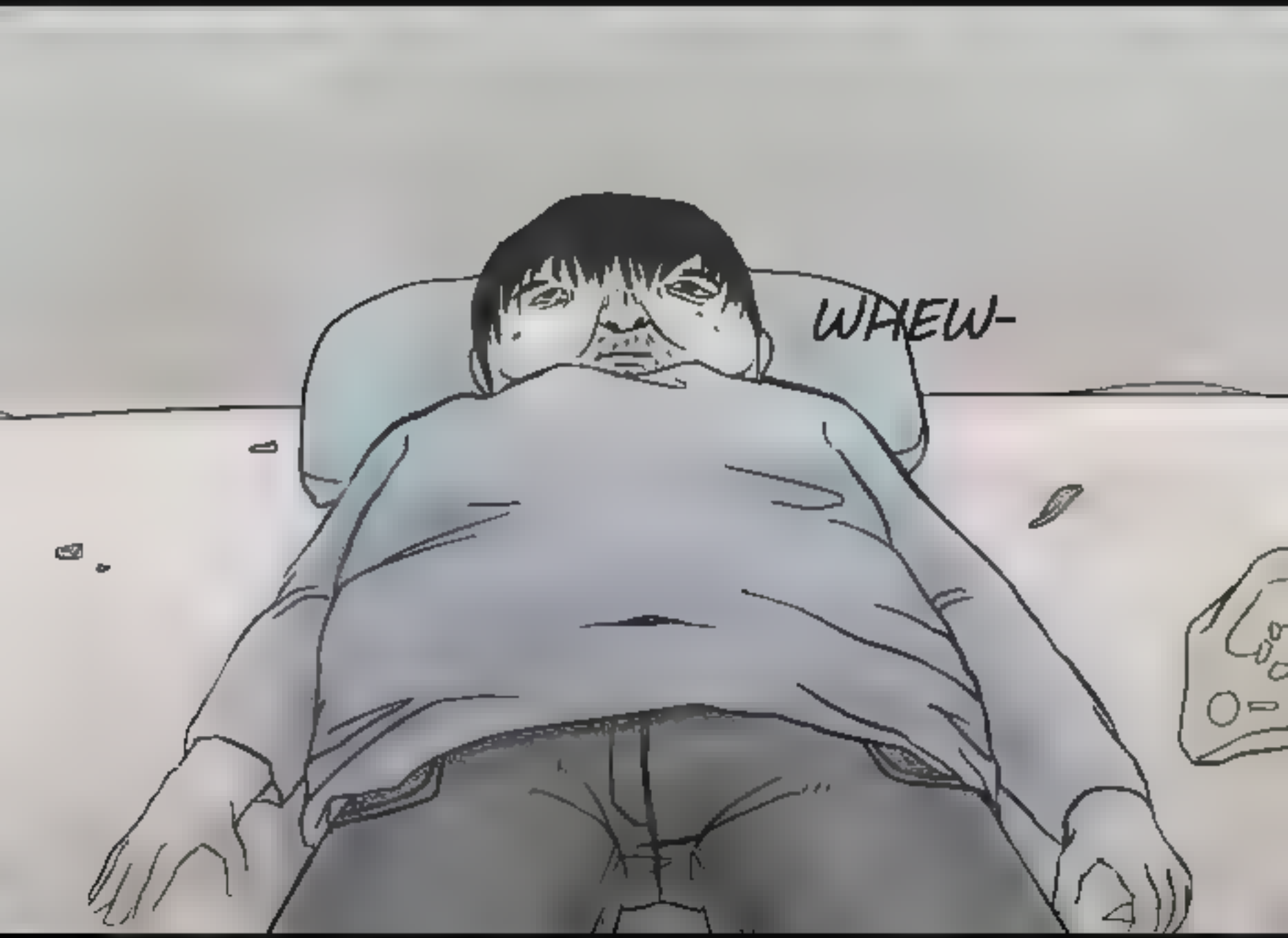
IF I CAN HAVE

THIS KIND OF PLEASURE AND SATISFACTION
FOREVER WITHOUT HAVING TO TRY,

NOT TO MENTION REALLY TASTY FOOD!

RATTLE-
RATTLE-
S#!T,
I LOST.

DOESN'T THAT MAKE THIS PLACE HEAVEN?



ONE DAY,

I STARTED THINKING THAT I WISH
I WERE TRAPPED AGAIN.

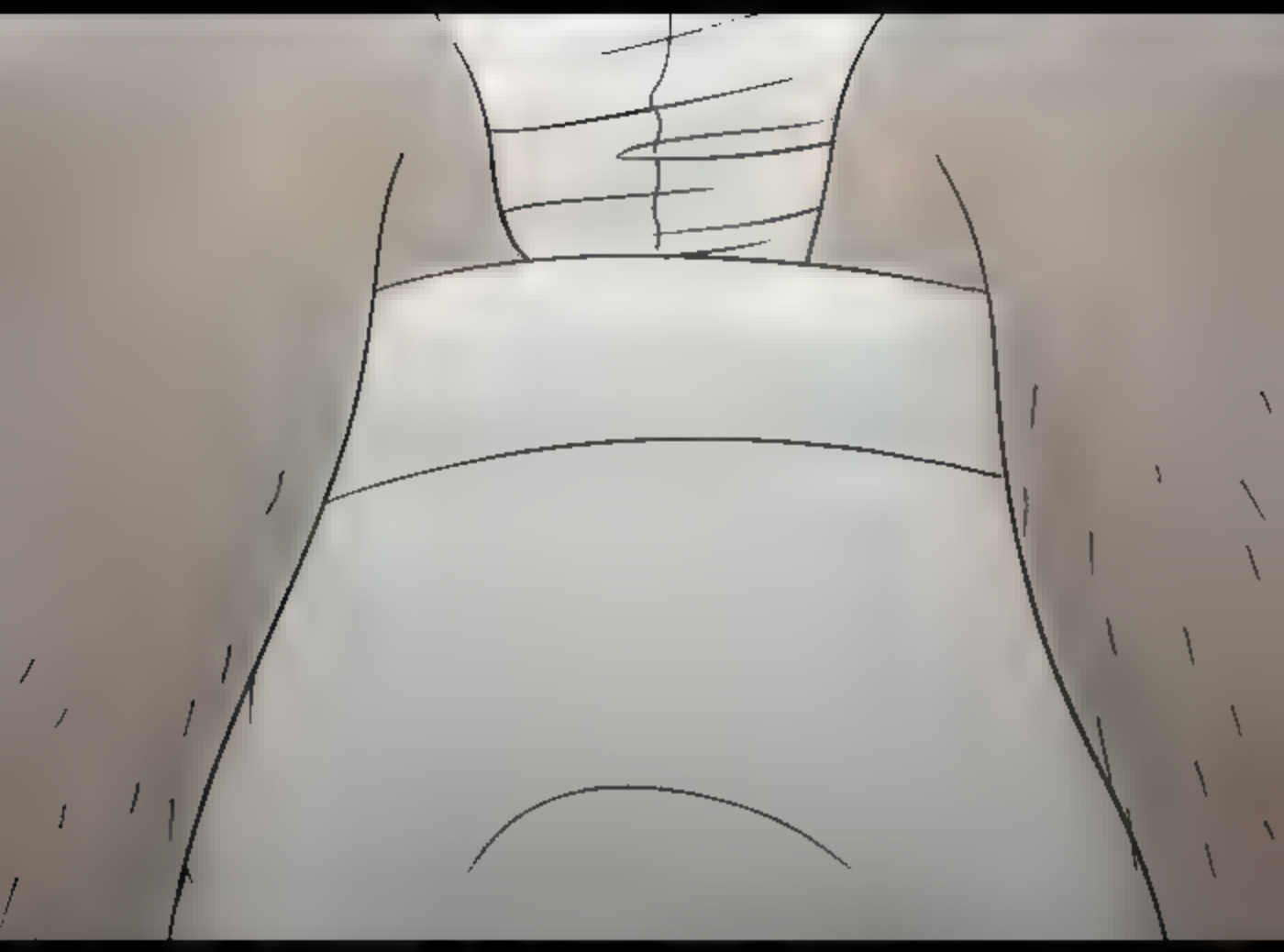
THEN I WOULDN'T HAVE
TO BOTHER ORDERING FOOD

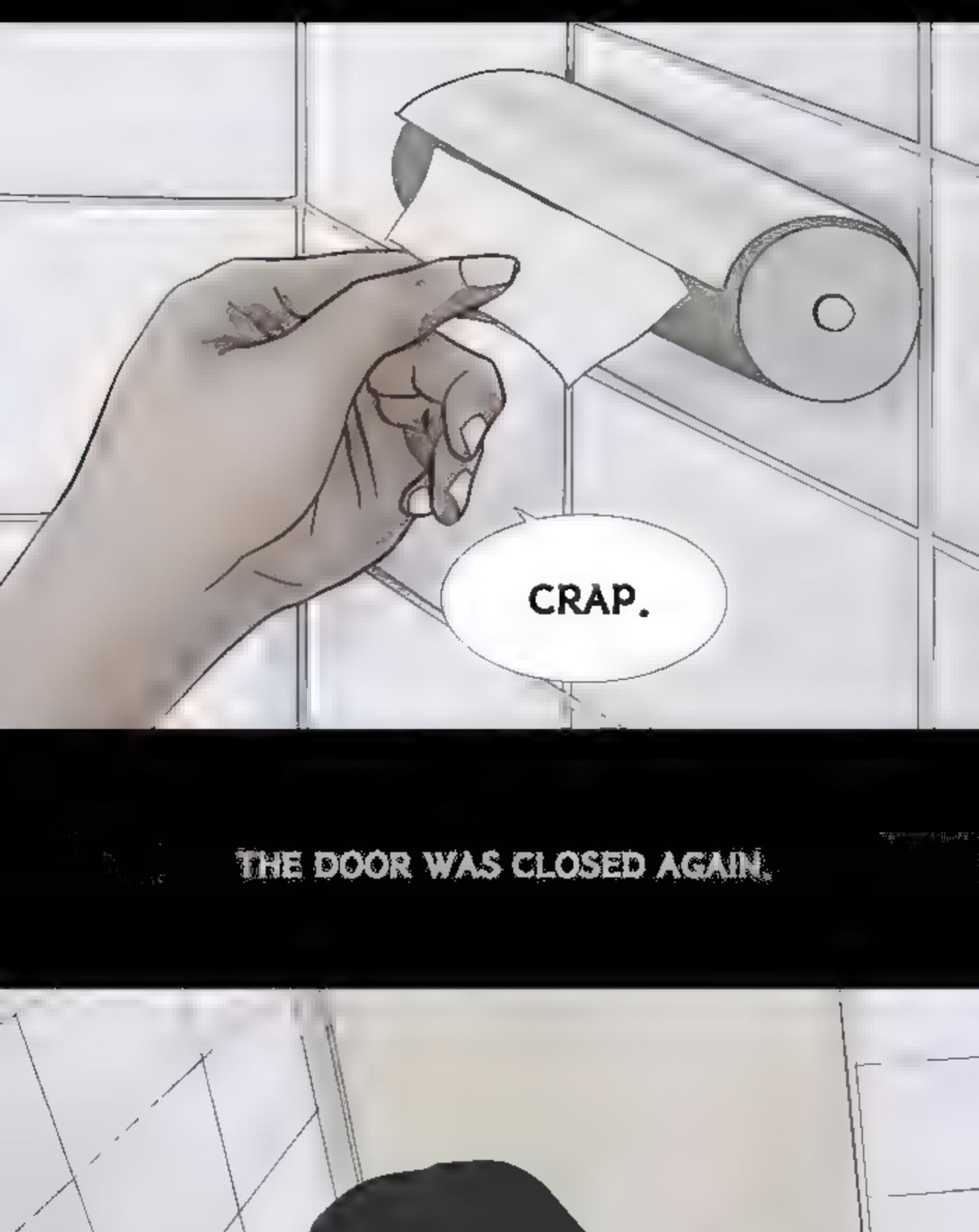
AND I WOULDN'T NEED TO CALCULATE
MY BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE,

AND I WOULDN'T NEED
TO GO OUT TO BUY CIGARETTES...

THEN, NOT LONG AFTER THAT,

JUST AS I WISHED

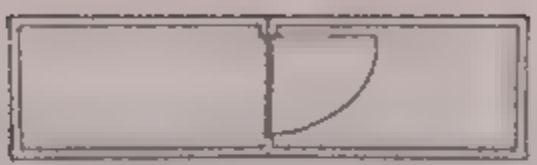




THE DOOR WAS CLOSED AGAIN.

BUT THIS TIME

IT WAS THE BATHROOM DOOR.

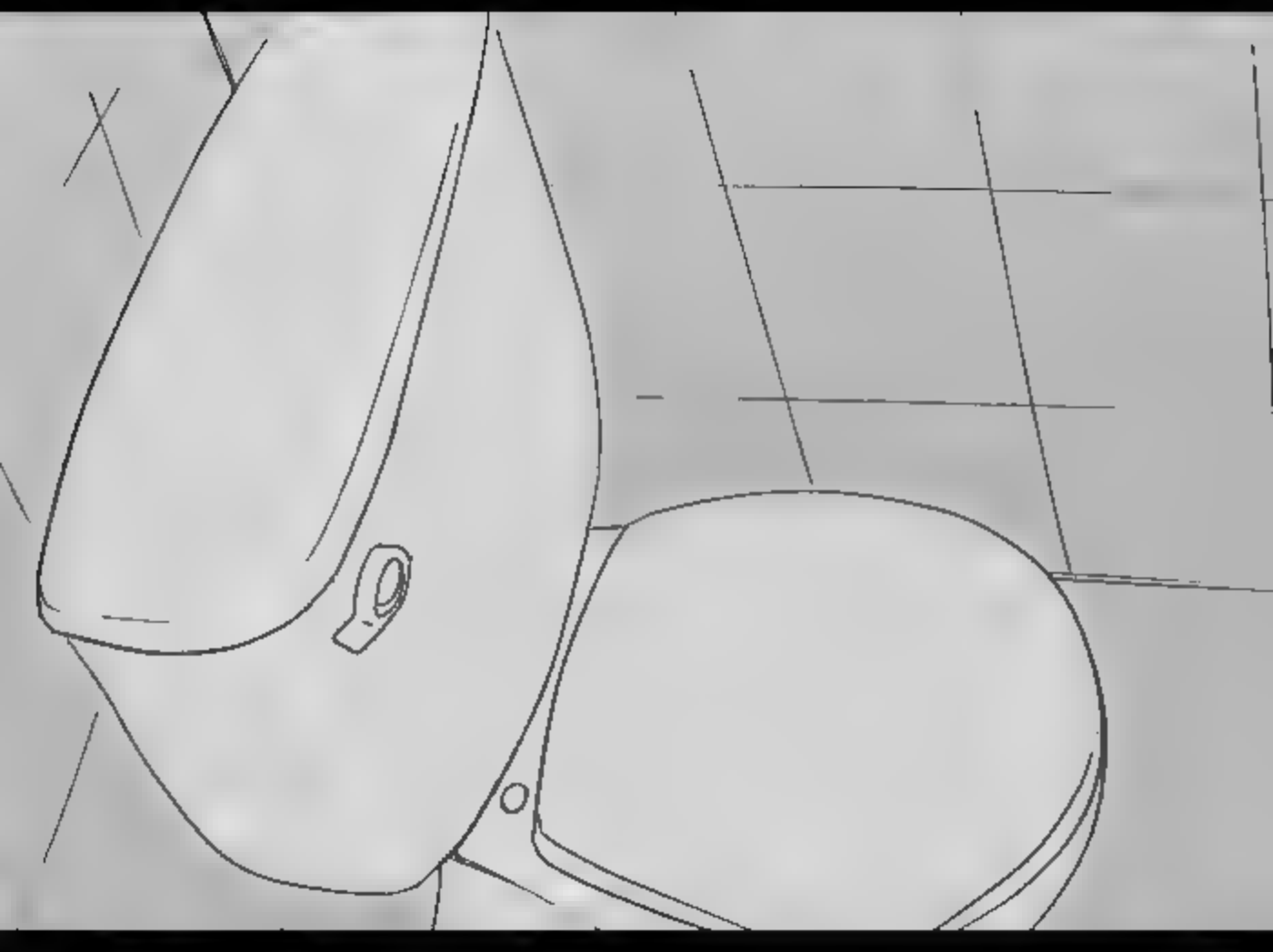


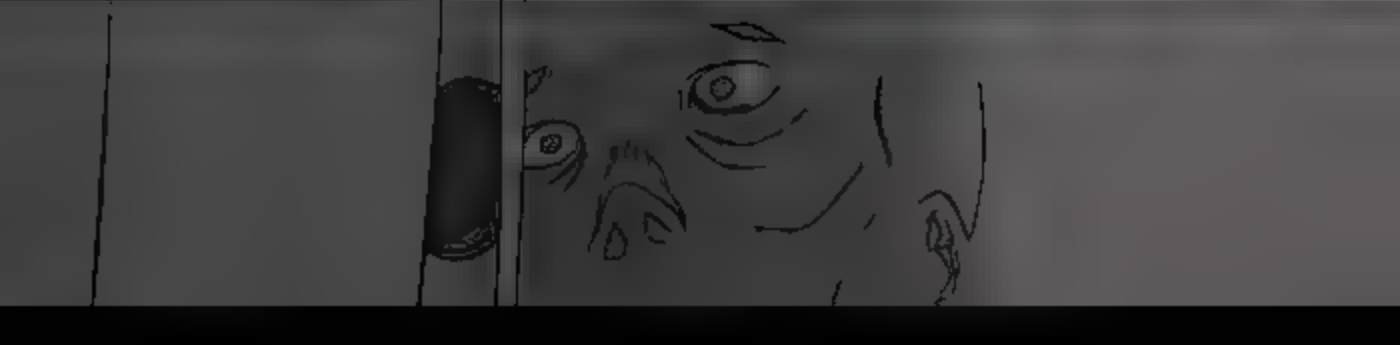
AFTER THAT

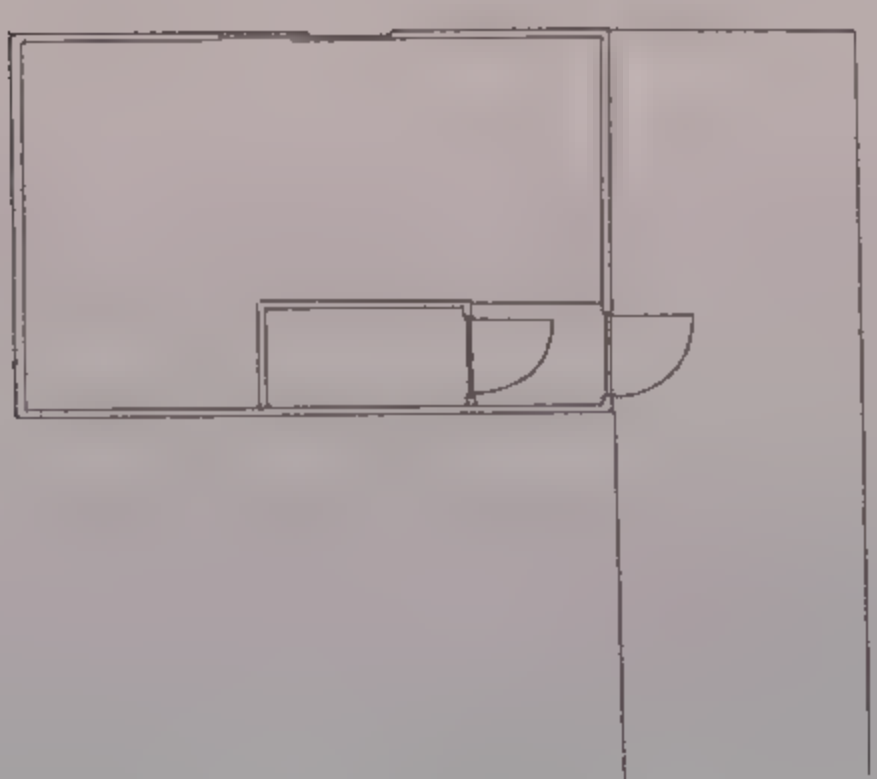
I HAD TO SURVIVE DRINKING TAP WATER ALONE.

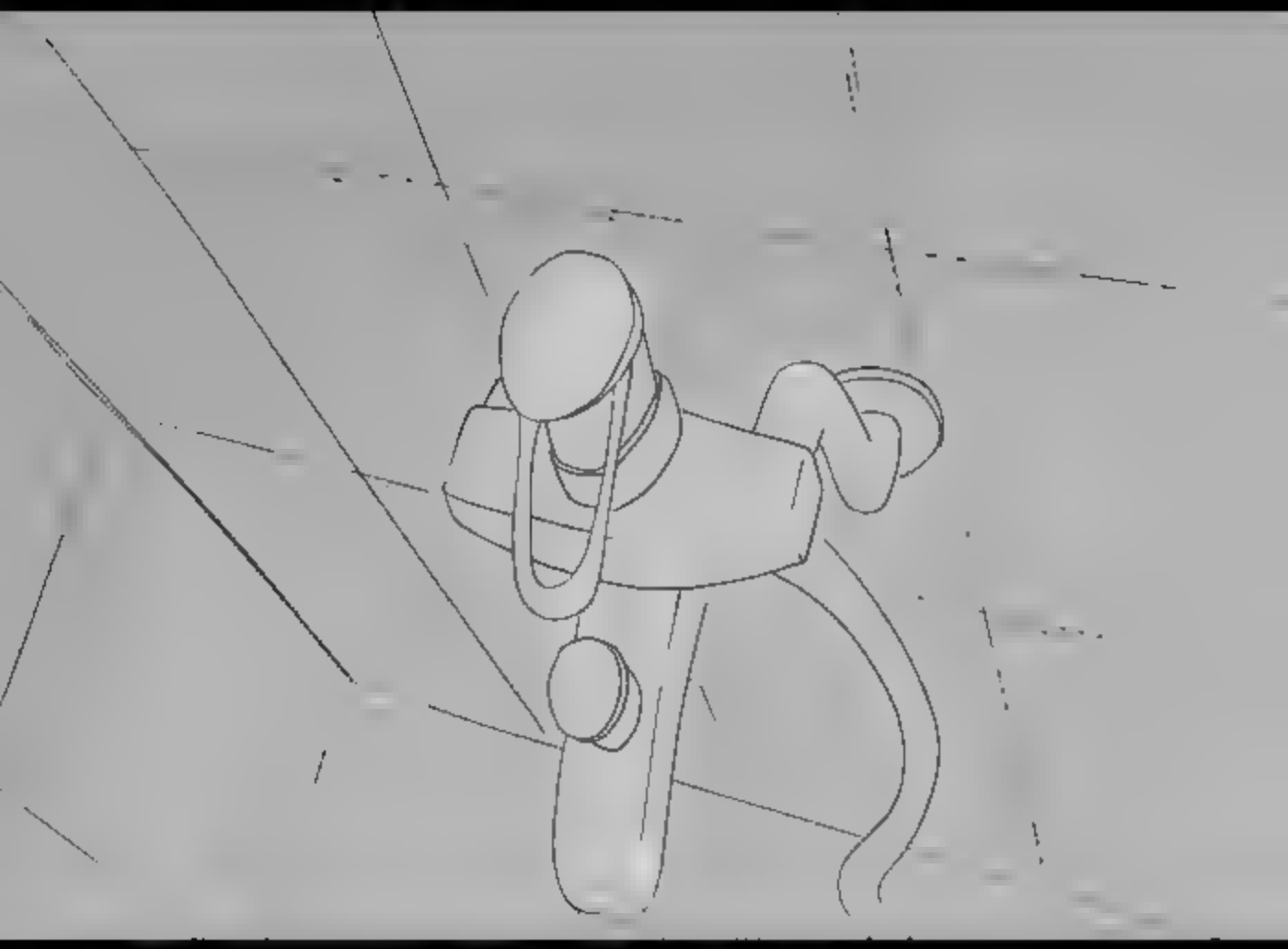
IN FECES

AND THIS PAIN DROVE
ME INSANE AS THE DAYS WENT ON.



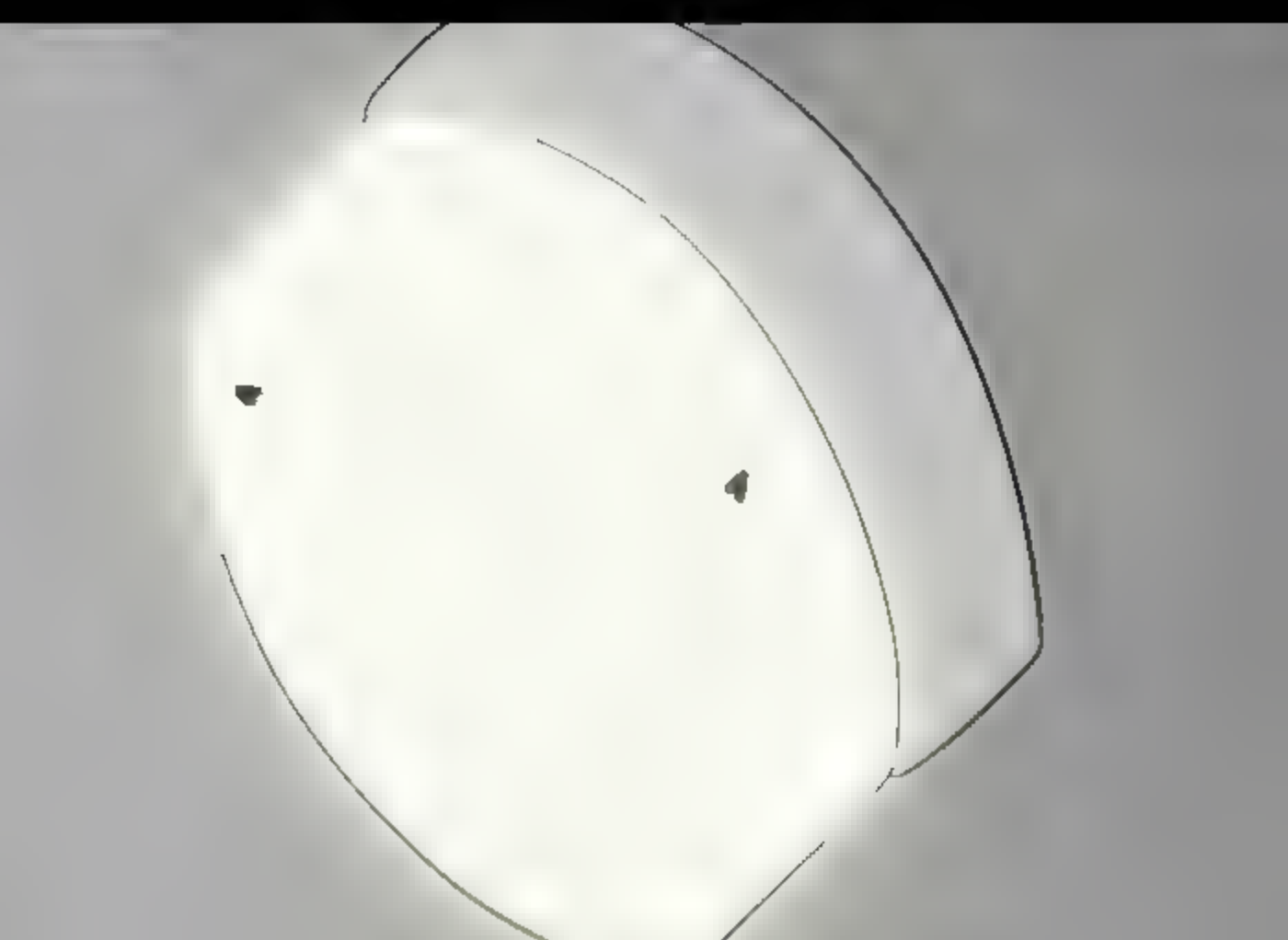


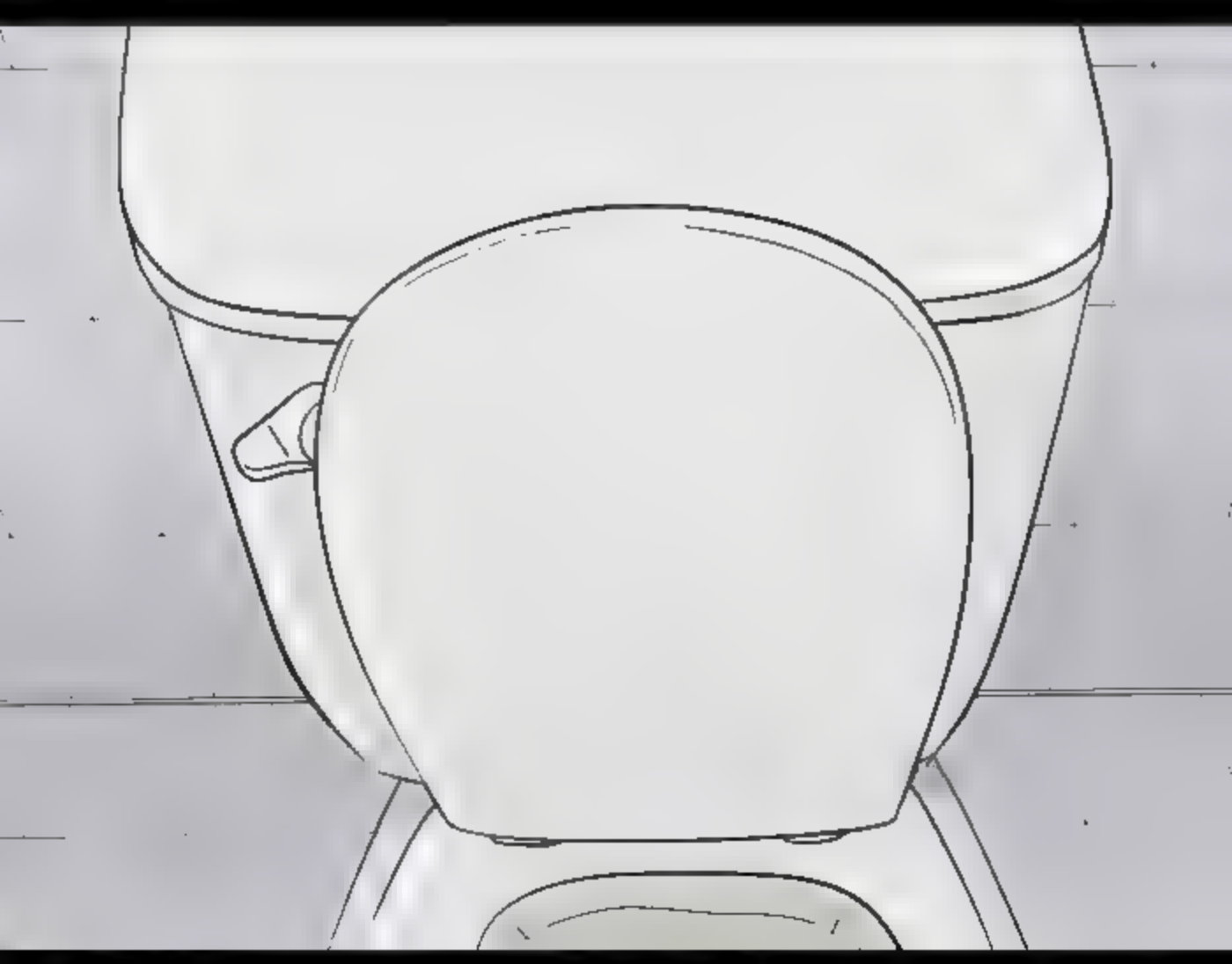




THE PAIN THAT STARVATION BROUGHT

WAS GREATER THAN I COULD'VE EVER IMAGINED





THERE ARE UNDIGESTED NUTRIENTS.

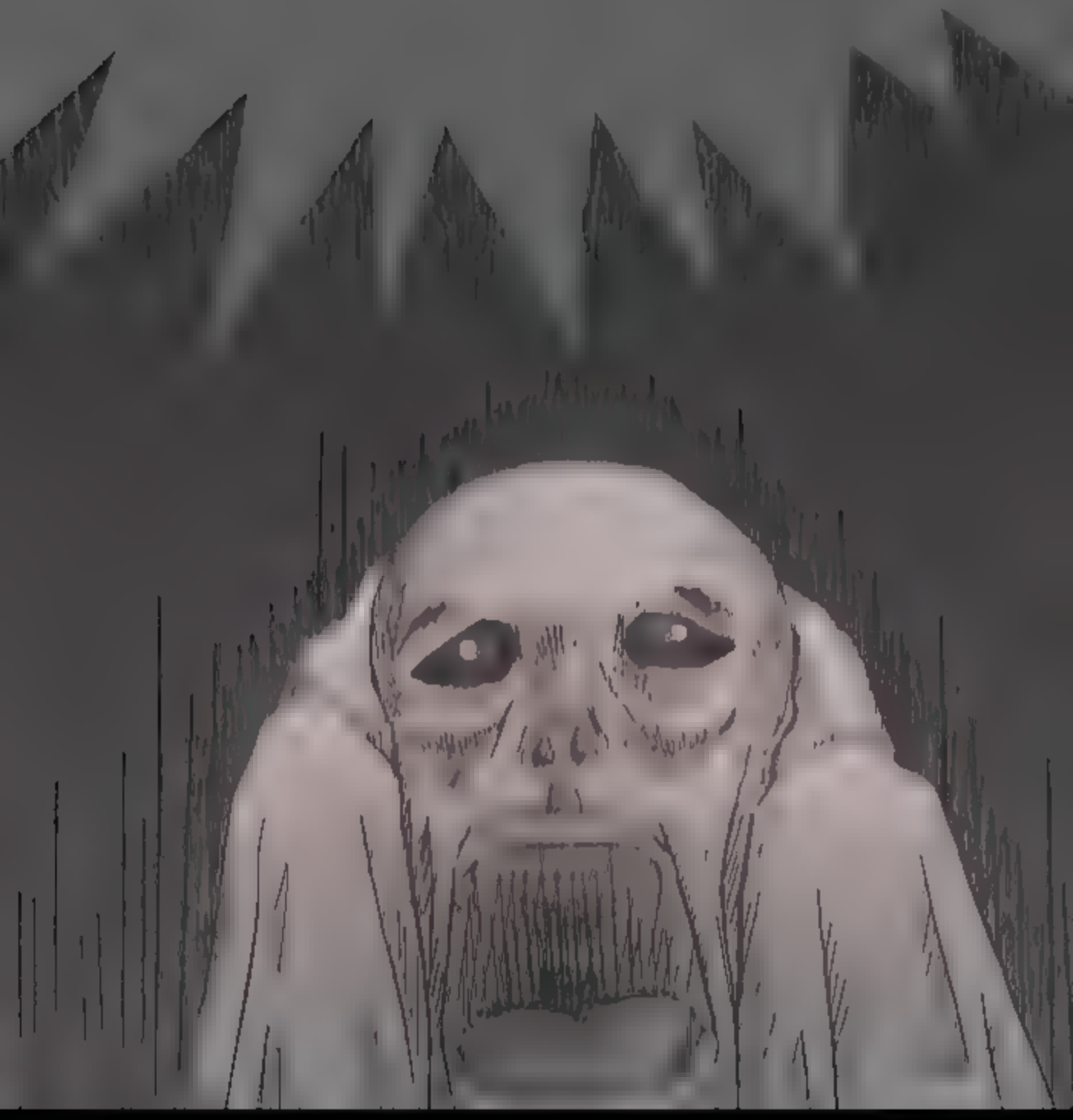
THERE ARE ALSO QUITE
A FEW ANIMALS THAT EAT FECES.

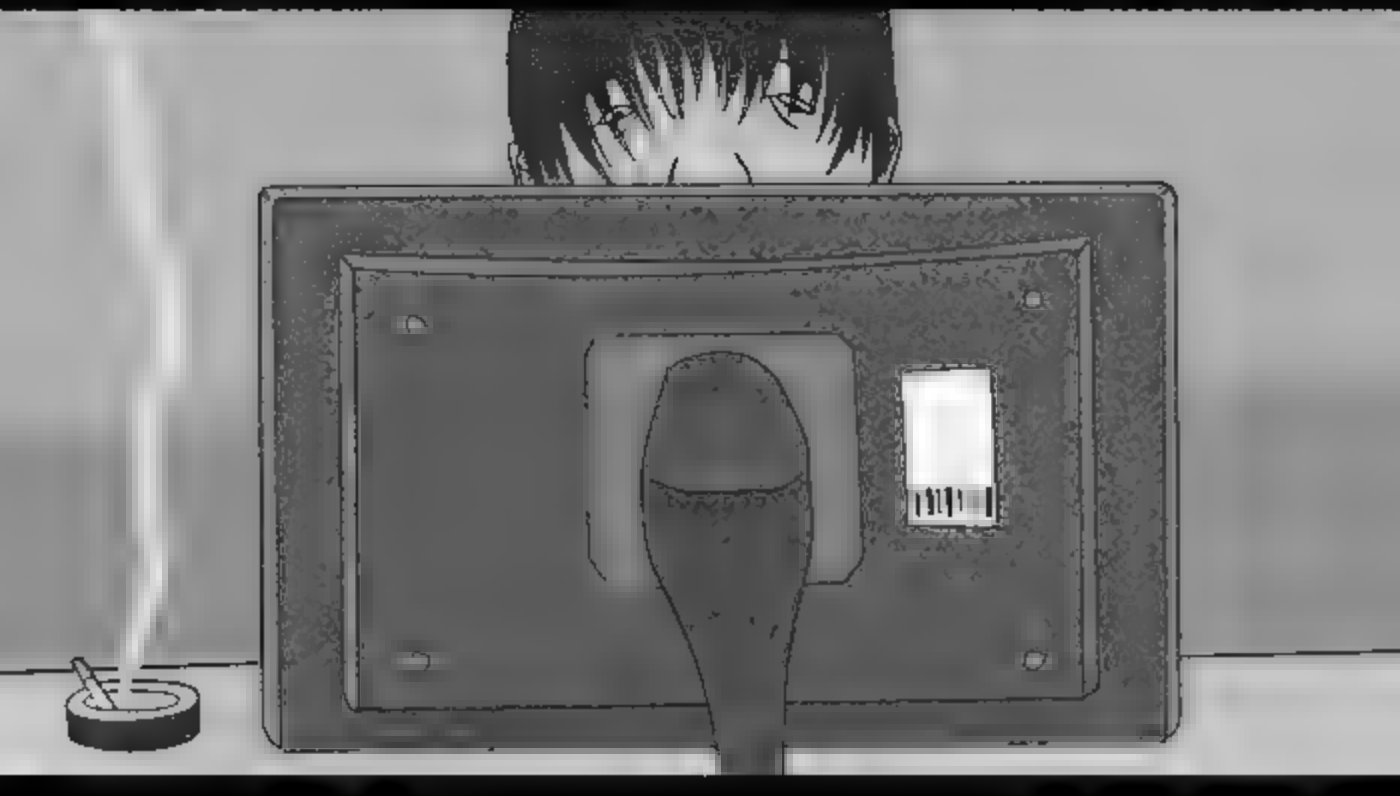
I AM!!

HOWEVER

I'M NOT AN ANIMAL.

A HUMAN BEING!!!!



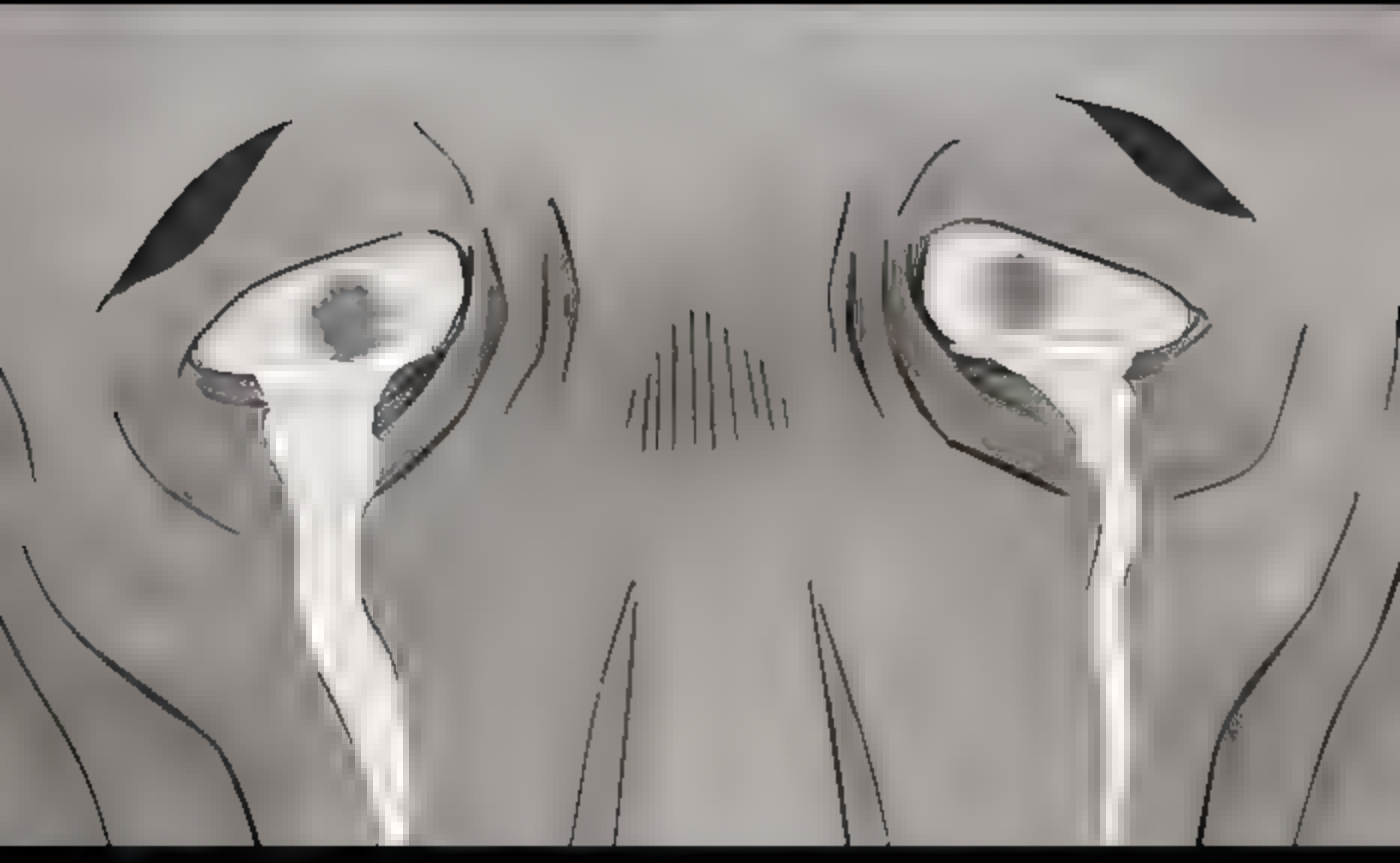


COME TO THINK OF IT

MAYBE

I WAS

AN ANIMAL...



UNTIL JUST YESTERDAY

THE YESTERDAY BEFORE YESTERDAY

THE DAY BEFORE THAT YESTERDAY,

I HAD POWER TO CHOOSE
AND DEVELOP MY FUTURE

BUT ALL I CHOSE

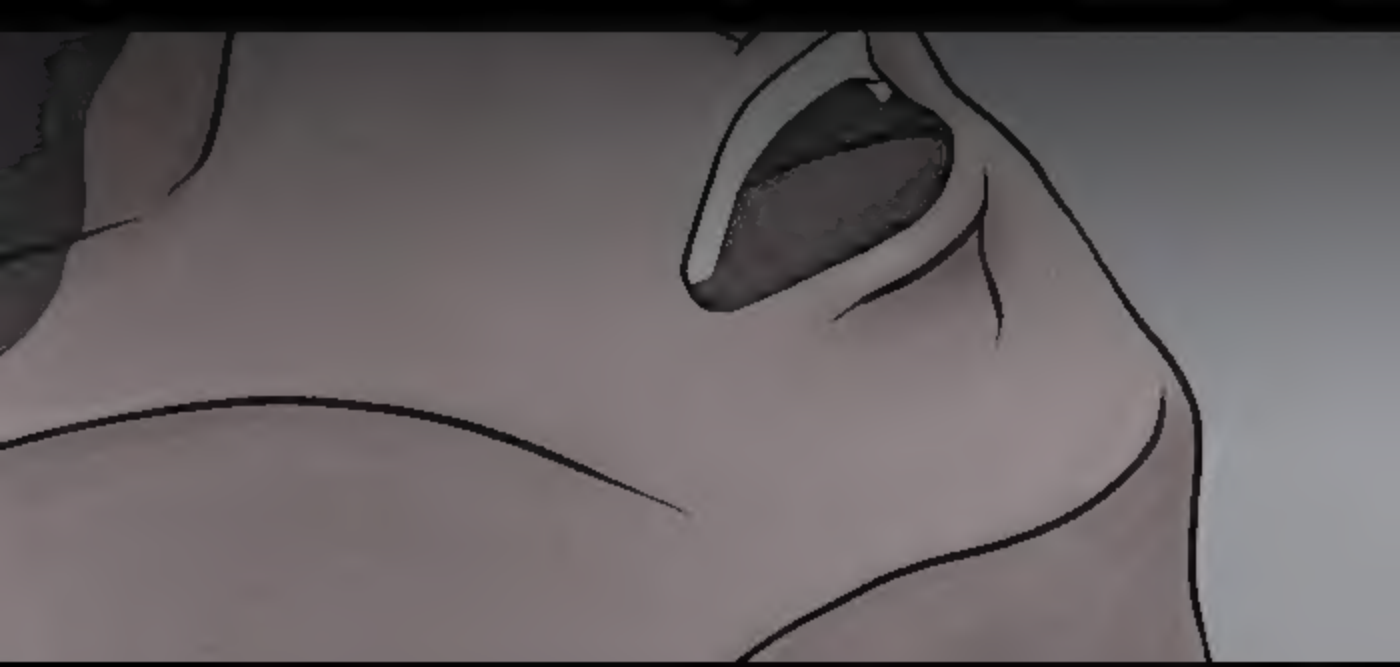
WAS AN ENDLESS CYCLE OF LAZINESS AND SELF-RATIONALIZATION.

AFTER BEING LOCKED IN THERE FOR A LONG TIME,

MY LIFE CAME TO A MISERABLE END.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH:

AN ENDLESS REGRESSION FROM
HUMAN BACK TO ANIMAL.



POISONING

THIS TALE IS A RECORD OF THE GRUESOME
PUNISHMENT DEALT TO AN ANIMAL LIKE ME,

THE CAUSE-AND-EFFECT RELATIONSHIP
WHICH I MUST ACCEPT,

AND RETRIBUTION.

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